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Docket No. MCP 267

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No. 09/887,465 Art Unit: 1617  
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For : USE OF ACETAMINOPHEN TO PREVENT AND TREAT  
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the office action dated 2 October 2002 ("Office Action"), which  
set a shortened thirty (30) day response period.

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action required election to a single disclosed species. Claims 1 - 26 are  
pending in the application.

Applicants respectfully elect to prosecute the invention of Group 1 (claims 1 - 20  
and 23 - 26), with traverse. Applicants further respectfully elect to prosecute the species,  
"acetaminophen" with traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims include sufficiently few species such  
that a search and examination of all of the species (in all of the claims) at one time would not

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5 impose a serious burden. Therefore Applicants respectfully submit that the invention as  
claimed in claims 1 - 26 may best be examinable in one application.

It is submitted that the foregoing remarks place the case in condition for allowance.  
A notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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